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In re Application of	:
Seyed A. Angadjlvand et al.	:
Application No. 09/111,833	:
Filed: September 2, 1997	:
Attorney Docket No. 49360USA7E	:
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DECISION GRANTING
PETITION

This is a decision on the petition filed on February 4, 1998, requesting that an application under 37 CFR 1.62 based on prior application No. 08/591,217 (attorney docket No. 49360USA7E) be accorded a filing date of September 2, 1997.

Petitioners allege that the original application papers were deposited in Express Mail service on September 2, 1997, in accordance with the procedures set forth in 37 CFR 1.10 and that the application is entitled to the date of deposit in Express Mail service as the filing date. In support, petitioners have supplied a copy of the original application papers showing the Express Mail label No. EM393431763US thereon and a copy of Express Mail customer receipt No. EM393431763US displaying the September 2, 1997 date applied thereon by the United States Postal Service. Further, the petition is accompanied by an affidavit of Susan M. Dacko verifying the copy of the original application papers supplied with the petition as a true copy of the original correspondence.

In view of the above, the petition is granted. No petition fee is required.

The application has been assigned application No. 09/111,833. The copy of the application supplied on February 4, 1998, will be used to process the application.

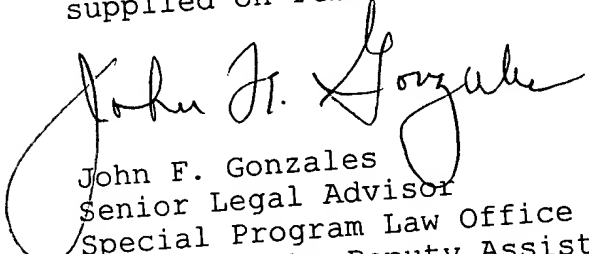
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file can be merged with the original papers and any duplicate filing fee refunded.

The application is being forwarded to the Office of Finance for charging the \$850.00 filing fee due on September 2, 1997, to deposit account No. 13-3723, as authorized in the original application papers filed September 2, 1997.

The application will then be forwarded to Initial Patent Examination Division for further processing with a filing date of September 2, 1997, using the copy of the application papers supplied on February 4, 1998.



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